

NORTH DAKOTA ALTERNATIVE FUEL VEHICLE INCENTIVES AND LAWS

Overview

North Dakota provides a tax credit of up to \$200 - \$500 per vehicle on conversions to alternative fuels.

Highlights

\$ Up to \$200 - \$500 per vehicle state tax credit for 10% of the cost of conversion equipment.

State Incentives

\$ The state provides a tax credit of 10% of the cost of conversion equipment up to \$200 per vehicle with gross vehicle weight (gvw) less than 10,000 lbs, and up to \$500 per vehicle with gvw greater than 10,000 lbs. The tax credit expires on December 31, 1997. For additional information, contact Kim Christianson, Office of Intergovernmental Assistance, at (701) 328-2094.

Utility/Private Incentives

Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. offers incentives for conversions to compressed natural gas (CNG) on a case-by-case basis. Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. operates 5 CNG refueling stations in North Dakota. Contact Steve Redding at (701) 222-7975 for additional information.

The National Ethanol Vehicle Coalition (NEVC) is an ad hoc group created by the National Corn Growers Association (NCGA) and the Governors' Ethanol Coalition (GEC) to establish a national program to promote the use of 85% ethanol fuel (E85) as an alternative fuel, enhance agricultural profitability, advance environmental stewardship, and further national energy independence. Through a cooperative effort with the NCGA and its state affiliates, the GEC, state energy offices, and the U.S. Department of Energy, NEVC provides forgivable loans for the installation of public E85 fueling facilities. For more information, contact Phil Lampert at (573) 635-8445 or Sandy Hentges at (573) 636-8590.

Laws & Regulations

The Governor has proclaimed that all state vehicles must be fueled with 10% ethanol by volume (E10) when possible. In practice, E10 is only used at state refueling stations when the price is within 2¢/gallon of gasoline.

Since 1987, the state has provided a corporate or personal income tax credit for the construction of certain new fuel ethanol plants in the state. The North Dakota State Bank provides loan guarantees for construction of production facilities for ethanol in the state.

In 1993, House Bill (HB) 1016 was enacted to provide an appropriation for fuel ethanol production incentives.

Senate Bill 26 (1995) extended the ethanol incentives and appropriated up to \$3,657,000 in funds for an incentive of 40¢/gallon for agricultural fuel produced and sold in North Dakota.

HB 1134 (1995) sets limits on what any single company can receive in ethanol incentives.

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